

as authorized vehicle checks, inspections and preparations are completed on each vehicle.

(ii) The minimum mileage accumulation rate does not apply on weekends or holidays.

(iii) If the manufacturer's mileage accumulation target is less than the minimum rate specified (300 miles per day), then the minimum daily accumulation rate shall be equal to the manufacturer's mileage accumulation target.

(3) Mileage accumulation shall be completed on a sufficient number of test vehicles during consecutive 24 hour periods to assure that the number of vehicles tested per day fulfills the requirements of paragraph (g) of this section.

(d) The manufacturer shall not perform any maintenance on test vehicles after selection for testing nor shall the Administrator allow deletion of any test vehicle from the test sequence, unless requested by the manufacturer and approved by the Administrator before any test vehicle maintenance or deletion.

(e) The manufacturer will be allowed 24 hours to ship test vehicles from the assembly plant or storage facility to the test facility if the test facility is not located at the plant or storage facility or in close proximity to the plant or storage facility: Except, That the Administrator may approve more time based upon a request by the manufacturer accompanied by a satisfactory justification.

(f) If a vehicle cannot complete the mileage accumulation or emission tests because of vehicle malfunction, the manufacturer may request the Administrator to authorize the repair of that vehicle or its deletion from the test sequence.

(g) Whenever the manufacturer conducts testing pursuant to a test order issued under this subpart, the manufacturer shall notify the Administrator within one working day of receipt of the test order, which test facility will be used to comply with the test cells at that facility. If no test cells are available at the desired facility, the manufacturer must provide alternate testing capability satisfactory to the Administrator. The manufacturer shall com-

plete emission testing on a minimum of four vehicles per 24 hour period including voided tests for each available test cell at his testing facility: Except, That the Administrator may approve a longer period based upon a request by the manufacturer accompanied by satisfactory justification.

(h) The manufacturer shall perform test vehicle selection, preparation, mileage accumulation, shipping, and testing in such a manner as to assure that the audit is performed in an expeditious manner.

(i) The manufacturer may retest any test vehicle after a fail decision has been reached in accordance with paragraph (d) of § 86.610 based on the first test on each vehicle; except, that the Administrator may approve retesting at other times during the audit based upon a request by the manufacturer accompanied by a satisfactory justification. The manufacturer may test each vehicle the same number of times. The manufacturer may accumulate additional mileage on test vehicles before conducting retests, subject to the provisions of paragraph (c) of this section.

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§ 86.608–96 Test procedures.

Section 86.608–96 includes text that specifies requirements that differ from § 86.608–90. Where a paragraph in § 86.608–90 is identical and applicable to § 86.608–96, this is indicated by specifying the corresponding paragraph and the statement “[Reserved]. For guidance see § 86.608–90.” Where a corresponding paragraph of § 86.608–90 is not applicable, this is indicated by the statement “[Reserved].”

(a) The prescribed test procedures are the FTP as described in subpart B of this part, the cold temperature CO test procedure as described in subpart C of this part, and the CST as described in subpart O of this part, as applicable. For purposes of Selective Enforcement Audit testing, the manufacturer may not perform any of the test procedures in subpart B of this part relating to evaporative emission testing, except as specified in § 86.608–90(a)(2).

(1) The Administrator may select and prescribe the sequence of any CSTs.

Further, the Administrator may, on the basis of a written application by a manufacturer, approve optional test procedures other than those in subparts B, C, and O of this part for any motor vehicle which is not subject to satisfactory testing using the procedures in subparts B, C, and O of this part.

(2) through (3) [Reserved]. For guidance see § 86.608-90.

(4) The exceptions to the test procedures described in subpart O of this part that are listed in paragraphs (a)(4)(i) and (ii) of this section are applicable to Selective Enforcement Audit testing.

(i) The manufacturer need not comply with § 86.1442, since the records required therein are provided under other provisions of subpart G of this part.

(ii) In addition to the requirements of subpart O of this part, the manufacturer must prepare vehicles as in paragraphs (a)(4)(ii) (A) through (C) of this section prior to exhaust emission testing.

(A) The manufacturer must inspect the fuel system to insure the absence of any leaks of liquid or vapor to the atmosphere by applying a pressure of 14.5 ± 0.5 inches of water to the fuel system, allowing the pressure to stabilize, and isolating the fuel system from the pressure source. Pressure must not drop more than 2.0 inches of water in five minutes. If required, the manufacturer performs corrective action in accordance with this section and must report this action in accordance with § 86.609.

(B) When performing this pressure check, the manufacturer must exercise care to neither purge nor load the evaporative system.

(C) The manufacturer may not modify the test vehicle's evaporative emission control system by component addition, deletion, or substitution.

(b) through (i) [Reserved]. For guidance see § 86.608-90.

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§ 86.608-97 Test procedures.

Section 86.608-97 includes text that specifies requirements that differ from those specified in §§ 86.608-90 and 86.608-96. Where a paragraph in § 86.608-90 or § 86.608-96 is identical and applicable to

§ 86.608-97, this may be indicated by specifying the corresponding paragraph and the statement "[Reserved]. For guidance see § 86.608-90." or "[Reserved]. For guidance see § 86.608-96."

(a) The prescribed test procedures are the Federal Test Procedure, as described in subpart B and/or subpart R of this part, whichever is applicable, the cold temperature CO test procedure as described in subpart C of this part, and the Certification Short Test procedure as described in subpart O of this part. Where the manufacturer conducts testing based on the requirements specified in Chapter 1 or Chapter 2 of the California Regulatory Requirements Applicable to the National Low Emission Vehicle Program (October, 1996), the prescribed test procedures are the procedures cited in the previous sentence, or substantially similar procedures, as determined by the Administrator. The California Regulatory Requirements Applicable to the National Low Emission Vehicle Program are incorporated by reference (see § 86.1). For purposes of Selective Enforcement Audit testing, the manufacturer shall not be required to perform any of the test procedures in subpart B of this part relating to evaporative emission testing, except as specified in paragraph (a)(2) of this section.

(1) [Reserved]. For guidance see § 86.608-96.

(2) The following exceptions to the test procedures in subpart B and/or subpart R of this part are applicable to Selective Enforcement Audit testing:

(i) For mileage accumulation, the manufacturer may use test fuel meeting the specifications for mileage and service accumulation fuels of § 86.113, or, for vehicles certified to the National LEV standards, the specifications of § 86.1771. Otherwise, the manufacturer may use fuels other than those specified in this section only with the advance approval of the Administrator.

(ii) [Reserved]. For guidance see § 86.608-90.

(iii) The manufacturer may perform additional preconditioning on Selective Enforcement Audit test vehicles other than the preconditioning specified in § 86.132, or § 86.1773 for vehicles certified to the National LEV standards, only if the additional preconditioning had